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### Easton Railroad Station (Delaware/Penn-Central Station)

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# Easement

Old Penn-Central Station Con-Rail Tracks at Goldsborough Street Easton, Maryland 21601 T-251 C1900

Widely flaring eaves supported by heavy knee braces are the most prominent architectural feature of the old Penn-Central Station. The walls of the low rectangular structure are shingle above an exterior brick half wall. Typical of the many railroad stations throughout the United States, this structure, once an object of pride, is abandoned.

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#### CONDITION

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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The old Railroad Station stands on the west side of the Con-Rail tracks, south of Goldsborough Street.

This simple rectangular building has a hipped roof with widely flaring eaves as its most dominent feature. The eaves supported by heavy knee braces, provides the covering for the platform. Shaped rafter ends are exposed. Knee braces spaced every eight feet define the bays - eight across the front and three from front to back.

Window and door openings are placed between the braces. There are two doors on the west or Pennsylvania Avenue side and two doors on the east, railroad track.side; windows with four over four sashes and plain trim are placed more or less regularly in remaining bays.

The ticket window on the east is two bays wide and protrudes about four feet.

Other features of this structure are jerkin-headed dormers in the center of the east and west roof slopes; they have four-light sashes. There is a central chimney with a corbelled cap.

The building has an exterior common bond brick half wall with a beveled wooden upper course. The upper portion of the walls are covered with shingles painted tan. Other trim - window and door frames and the knee braces are painted brown. The roof is covered with black asphalt shingles. The building rests on a brick platform.

Although abandoned, the building is in good condition. The photograph included was taken in 1971; since then the windows and doors have been boarded up; no other changes have occurred.

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#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Typical of the many railroad stations built throughout the United States around the turn of the century, this structure, once an object of pride, may be a victim of changing economic and transportation systems.

L88/F101 John L. Caldwell and Emma B. Caldwell to: 10/4/1879
Delaware and Chesapeake Railway \$300.00

Platted in Caldwell's Addition, four acres, including "the roadbed and Bepot grounds, the depot and all its appendages"...

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Deeds and Land Records, Talbot County Court House.

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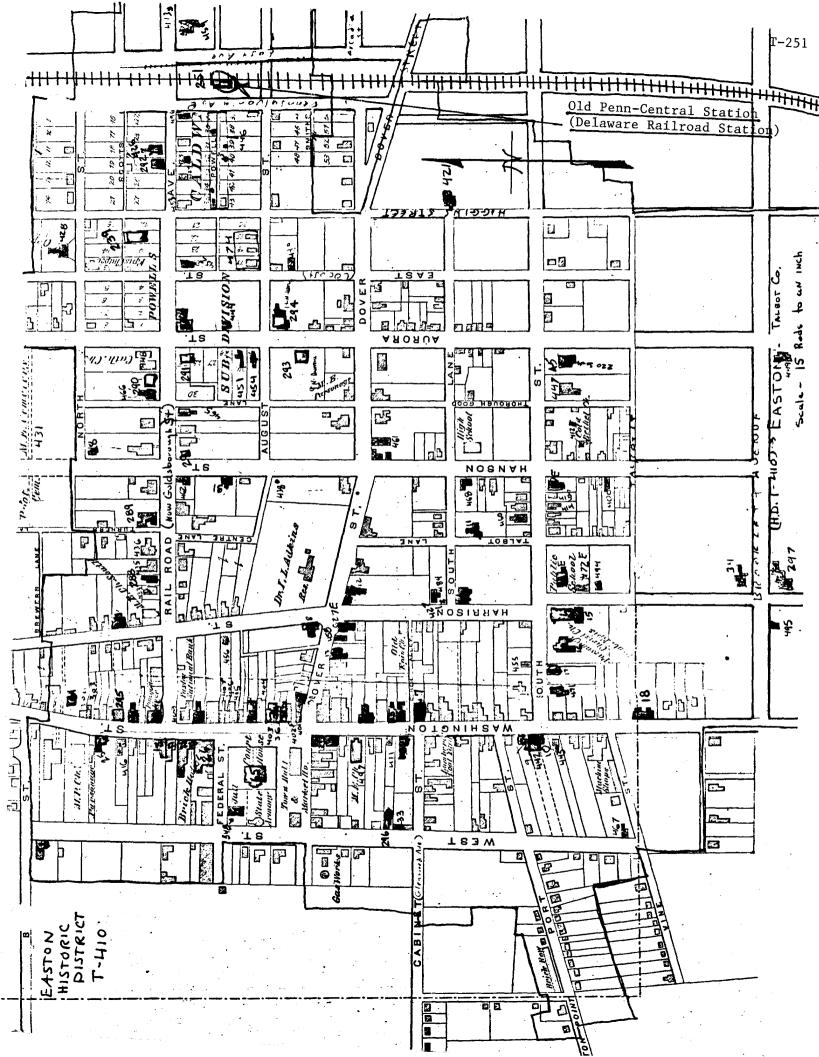
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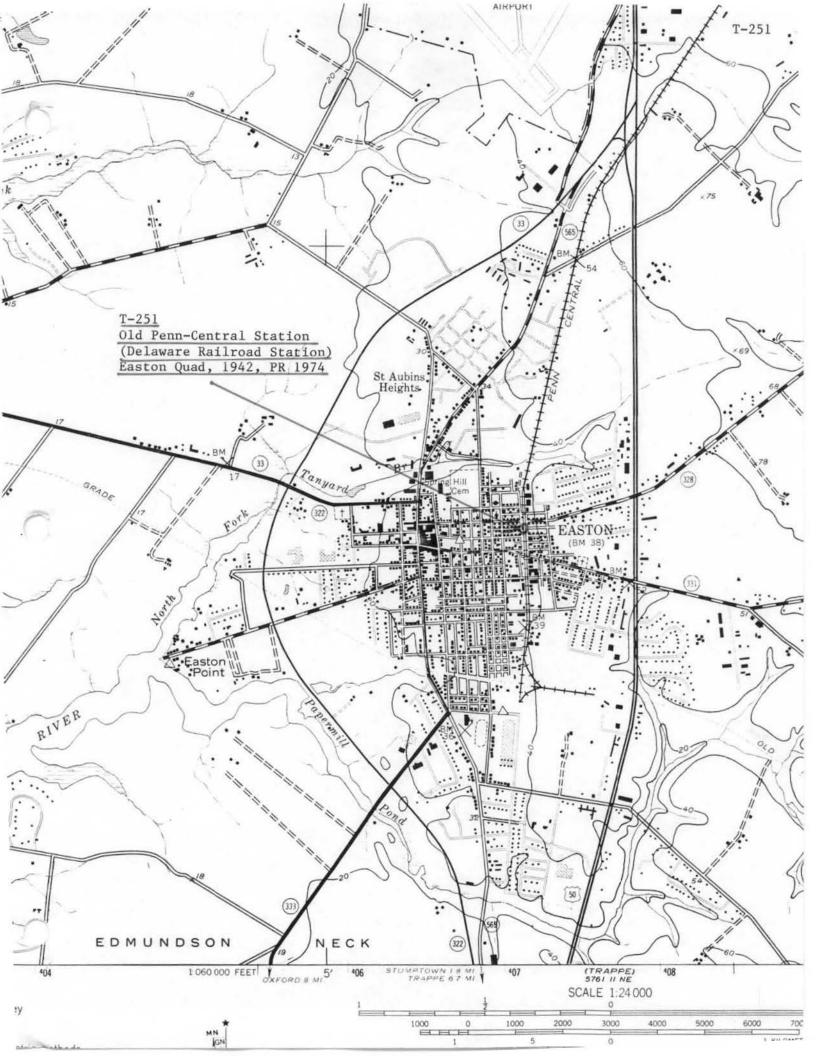
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